

ADRIENE RICH.

[To accompany Bill H. R. No. 533.]

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MARCH 30, 1860.

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Mr. SICKLES, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, made the following

REPORT.

*The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to whom was referred the petition of Adriene Rich, report:*

That they have had the same under consideration, and find from the proofs that the said Adriene Rich was a private in Captain William T. Wofford's company in Colonel Calhoun's regiment of mounted volunteers, mustered into service August 28, 1847, and served in the Mexican war, and was honorably discharged July 12, 1848. His application was made to the Pension Office and rejected. Captain Wofford testifies that the petitioner was at various times ill during the period of his service, and on his return home, while at Mobile, he was seized with a violent attack of diarrhoea, which prostrated him six months, and became chronic, and from the effects of which he became and is incapable of manual labor, and unable to perform military duty. From the testimony of Doctors Joseph and T. G. Underwood, George Phelps, and William J. Rush, the physicians who attended Rich from 1848 until 1853, it appears that the disease and disability continued, and became worse, resulting in chronic inflammation, from which petitioner has given up all hope of recovery. He is proved to be a man of temperate habits. The testimony clearly establishes the fact that Rich suffers from permanent disability, resulting from disease contracted in the line of his duty while in the service during the war with Mexico.

Your committee concur in reporting a bill to place his name on the pension rolls, from date of application, at eight dollars per month, and recommend its passage.

